Arizona Sanitarians Council

Minutes of the Council's meeting on Thursday, September 1, 2005

Council Members Present: Suzanne Ehrlich, Ernest Arvizu, Harlan Lee and Don Herrington

Council Members Absent: None

Visitors: Brian Hare, David Swanson, and Robert Gindhart

Don Herrington called the meeting to order at 10:05 am at the Arizona Department of Health Services, 150 N. 18th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ.

- 1. The Council reviewed and approved the minutes of the June 2, 2005 Arizona Sanitarians' Council meeting. Ms. Ehrlich moved to approve the minutes, and Mr. Lee seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.
- 2. The Council received a copy of an Attorney General Opinion on "Open Meeting Law Requirements and E-mail to and from Members of a Public Body". There was a brief discussion concerning the future use of e-mail by the Council.
- 3. The Council signed the registration certificates for the applicants that passed the Sanitarian Examination in July 2005. Nine people passed the examination taken on July 28, 2005. There were nineteen people who took the exam, for a 47% pass rate.
- 4. Four applicants were approved to take the examination and seven others were approved contingent on receiving necessary documentation. Three applicants were not approved. There was one applicant approved for reciprocity contingent on receiving official transcripts.
- 5. Jeff Terrell was considered for becoming a Council member for the vacant Large County representative on the Council. Mr. Lee made a motion to appoint Mr. Terrell to the Council and Ms. Ehrlich seconded the motion. The Council voted unanimously to appoint Mr. Terrell to a two-year term on the Council.
- 6. The Council considered the request of Thomas O. Hendrickson to have time spent instructing environmental health classes count toward the annual continuing education requirement. The Council had information from the National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) indicating that NEHA allowed continuing education for instruction on a one-time basis. The Council discussed the need to include how the hours were determined in order to receive credit. Ms. Ehrlich made a motion to follow the same format as NEHA including how the hours are determined, and Mr. Arvizu seconded the motion. The motion then passed unanimously.
- 7. Mr. Hare asked the Council questions on how contact hours for continuing education are determined. The Council answered that the contact hour calculation followed the approach taken by NEHA.
- 8. Ms. Ehrlich updated the Council on the Professional Examination Service updating the Registered Sanitarian examination. Ms. Ehrlich stated that a survey would be

- done of Registered Sanitarians in 12-18 months. The Council will attempt to make the survey available to Arizona Registered Sanitarians.
- 9. The next Council meeting was set for 10:00 a.m., December 1, 2005 at 150 N. 18th Avenue, Room 415B. The upcoming examination is set for 1:00 p.m., October 27, 2005 at 1740 West Adams, Room 411.
- 10. With no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Don Herrington Chair